



City of Danbury Commission for Persons with disAbilities
155 Deer Hill Avenue, Danbury, CT 06810

Monthly Meeting Agenda – December 11, 2013 - 6:30pm

- Welcome & Introduction: John Gentile
- Review & Accept Minutes: November 12, 2013 (quorum)
- Phone Log: John Gentile
- E-newsletter update: Annie Dance
 - November is National Diabetes Awareness Month and Thursday 11/14 is World Diabetes Day
 - Received a Call from WLAD looking for an interview
- Social media report as of 11/11/13
 - Facebook: currently 19 likes (up from 17 last month)
 - Twitter: currently 55 followers (up from 42 last month)
- 2013 -2014 Recognition Award
 - Housatonic Area Rapid Transportation (HART) Reached out to HART
- On Demand Transportation: (kept as an open item)
 - Letter to the Mayor
 - Frank Reed will look into possible grant state funding with HART
 - Possibly present at CT Council on Developmental Disabilities council meeting in January
- Danbury Buddy Ball Program: Update - Frank Reed
 - Frank to follow-up with contact there
 - will keep as an open item on agenda for future meetings
- March of Dimes walk on May 4 - Frank Reed will be the Ambassador for the event
 - will keep as open item on the agenda and promote the event closer to the date
- Stop & Shop lack of lights
 - Newtown Road location (and maybe Lake Ave.?) does not have lights on in frozen food and refrigerated food sections after 9pm and before 9am
 - John Gentile had conversation with Manager, it's a Stop & Shop corporate policy, the manager said he would pass along the Commission's concerns
- Annie recently messaged Stop & Shop on their facebook page to discuss the lack of lighting. See their response below.

Stop & Shop Annie, thank you for reaching out to us here. We are sorry you are finding it to dark when you are shopping. All of our stores are reducing our use of non-essential lighting during non-peak hours in an effort to lessen our carbon footprint impact on the environment. We continue to work toward a balance of providing the right amount of light needed in our stores for our customers and associates with our

energy-efficiency effort. While we care about the environment, we also care about your shopping experience and it should still be light enough to shop. We will share your concern about insufficient lighting with our store management team for their follow up. If we can be of any further assistance, please feel free to give us a call at 1 [800-767-7772](tel:800-767-7772), option 3, option 6.

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- Next steps for the Commission: John Gentile
 - Report back on conversation with Diane Rosemark City Corp. Counsel
- Open Discussion
- Next Meeting: January 14, 2014